## REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending. Claims 1 and 15-18 have been amended. Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

## REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102

All of the pending claims stand rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,744,670 to Montulli (Montulli) under 35 U.S.C. §102. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The PTO provides in MPEP § 2131:

*"[t]o anticipate a claim, the reference must teach every element of the claim...."*

Therefore, to sustain this rejection, Montulli must contain all of the claimed elements of claims 1-24.

## Independent claims

Independent claims 1 and 15-16

Claim 1 recites, in part: "creating a plurality of state objects at the HTTP client[.]" (emphasis added). Contrary to claim 1 and as cited on page 3 of the Office Action, Montulli discloses storing a plurality of cookies received from an HTTP server on the HTTP client prior to an initial interaction with a different HTTP server. *see* col. 3, lines 23-27; col. 7, lines 20-27.

Therefore, the rejection of claim 1 is not supported by Montulli and should be withdrawn.

Claims 15-16 contain elements similar to those discussed above with respect to claim 1, and should also be allowed.

Independent claim 17

Claim 17 discloses in part: "receiving a request for information from an HTTP client, the request being a first interaction between any HTTP server and the HTTP client; receiving, from the HTTP client, a plurality of state objects that were not forwarded by any HTTP server to the HTTP client[.]" (emphasis added)

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Contrary to claim 17 and as cited on page 3 of the Office Action, Montulli discloses storing a plurality of cookies <u>received from an HTTP server</u> on the HTTP client. *see* col. 3, lines 23-27; col. 7, lines 20-27.

Therefore, the rejection of claim 17 is not supported by Montulli and should be withdrawn.

Independent claim 18

Claim 18 contains elements similar to those discussed above with respect to claim 1, and should also be allowed.

**Dependent claims**

Dependent claims 2-14 and 19-24 depend from and further limit independent claims 1 and 18, and should also be allowed.

Accordingly, a formal notice of allowance of claims 1-24 is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers provided below if further consideration is required. Also, Deposit Account No. 08-1394 may be used for any over or under payments.

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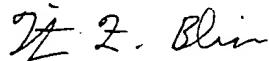
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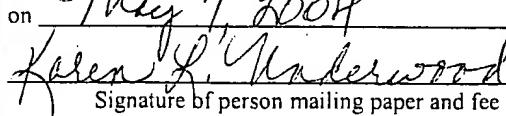
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